

**HAMPTON BEACH VILLAGE DISTRICT
MEETING
March 9, 2016**

Present

Maureen Buckley, Acting Chairman & Commissioner
Robert Ladd, Commissioner
Stephen LaBranche, Treasurer

Chairman Buckley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Annual Meeting

Richard Reniere, HBVD Moderator, discussed the Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held on March 25th at the Beach Fire Station. Voting will be from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and the meeting to vote on warrant articles will begin at 7:00 p.m. Residents will vote for the following positions:

Commissioner (3 years)
Moderator (1 year)
Clerk (1 year)
Treasurer (1 year)
Supervisor of the Checklist (3 years)

Voter requirements are a valid photo ID, domicile in the Village District and registration in the Village District.

Chairman Buckley encouraged people who have recently moved into the Village District to register and vote.

Old Business

Commissioner Ladd discussed the Town election which took place yesterday. He said a \$2 million warrant for Department of Public Works failed by one vote and is pending a recount. This shows how important it is to vote. Just one vote can make a difference.

Commissioner Ladd said the HBVD has a different political structure than the Town. The Town is SB2. The Village District has an open meeting structure. You must be present to vote.

Chairman Buckley said all warrants have been legally posted.

New Business

Commissioner Ladd said he would ask that Glen French and John Kane provide job descriptions to be kept on file.

Commissioner Ladd said there will be several guests at the April meeting. The Chairman of the Planning Board and the Town Planner will talk about the duties of the Planning Board. Others will be present to address the flood insurance issue.

Chairman Buckley said the Commissioners are looking at adding some new events this summer. There will be an event for 9 to 14 year olds in July.

Commissioner Ladd congratulated Brian Lapham on his election to the Budget Committee.

Entertainment

Glen French, Entertainment Coordinator, discussed planned events for the summer. Music will begin the first Saturday in May. There will be over 100 concerts. He discussed the "Tween" event, Children's Week and the Talent Competition. The Jr. Prom Grand March will be held on May 21st.

Commissioner Ladd said the high school will do a concert in June and probably another in October. There will also be a choral group from the high school performing on New Years Eve.

Marketing

John Kane, Marketing Director, said the tri-fold is at the press. 140,000 copies are being printed. The bumper stickers are done. Mr. Kane said his one concern is that the Canadian dollar is 30% below last year's number. It will be necessary to reach out more locally. Shows are set at the Casino.

Commissioner Ladd said he and Commissioner Buckley went to UNH to discuss having a study done regarding the economic impact for the Village District. There are events paid for by the residents and business owners. This will show how the money is quantified.

Public Comment

Richard Reniere said there is a serious problem with the two pipes from Church Street to the waste water treatment plant. There is a leak in one of the pipes. \$180,000 has been appropriated by the Board of Selectmen to investigate and repair. It will take approximately \$3.1 million to permanently solve the problem. This would have to be voted on at a Town Meeting and public hearings would be necessary.

Mr. Reniere said several parking lots will be closed to create a staging area for this work. However, if you are a resident and have a resident sticker, you may park in any municipal lot.

Closing Comments

Chairman Buckley reminded all residents to attend the Annual Meeting and vote on March 25th.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Rice
Secretary